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MINUTES  
WEST FORK BEAVER CREEK DISTRIBUTION MEETING  
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FEBRUARY 10, 1987

WATER RIGHTS

The meeting was opened at 4:15 pm. The meeting was conducted by Kent Jones, Distribution Engineer of the Utah Division of Water Rights.

Kent Jones read the minutes of the 1986 annual meeting. Some corrections were made which Kent Jones made on his copy of the minutes. A motion to accept the minutes as modified was made by Velma O'Neil and seconded by J. H. Brinton. The motion carried.

The 1986 financial statement was read by Kent Jones. A question concerning whether Utah Rights with Wyoming land should pay a Utah assesment since the Wyoming assesment is taken from county taxes was raised. It was brought out that currently Utah pays 30% and Wyoming pays 70% of the system costs, but no answer concerning the question was given. A motion to accept the 1986 financial statement as read was made by Velma O'Neil and seconded by Larry O'Neil. The motion carried.

The commissioner's report was presented. Concern was expressed by Mike Ebsen of the Wyoming State Engineer's Office that the report was not as detailed as it should be and recommended that in the future the commissioner should visit once every two weeks during the irrigation season and once a week during the regulatory season.

Kent Jones said that notices will be sent out this year regarding requirement of headgates and measuring devices to water users. Kent also brought out that the State Engineer's Office is available to help the commissioner whenever he needs it.

The need for measuring devices and control on the system was discussed along with whether a commissioner is still required. Kent Jones asked if there is a need for a commissioner and the general consensus was yes.

During the discussion concerning the new budget and assesment, a question arose concerning what lands/rights are included in the system and what is being administered by the commissioner. It was brought out that the commissioner is currently administering a much larger area than what is actually included in the system. The possibility of enlarging the system to include the East and Middle Forks of Beaver Creek was discussed and the general consensus was that such an enlargement would be advantageous. A motion for Kent Jones to further research the above questions and convene another meeting with all water users on the East Middle and West Forks of Beaver Creek was

made by Fay Wadsworth and seconded by Velma O'Neil. The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 5:45 pm.

Those present at the meeting were:

NAME	REPRESENTING
Kent Jones	Utah Divison of Water Rights
Bob Leake	Utah Divison of Water Rights
Mike Ebsen	Wyoming State Engineer's Office
Larry O'Neil	Water User
Velma O'Neil	Water User
Fay Wadsworth	Water User
J. H. Brinton	Water User
Earl Hanks	Water User